

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the U.S. Patent Examiner has indicated that the Oath/Declaration is defective for the reasons stated in Paragraph No. 1. A substitute Declaration is being submitted herewith listing five (5) available applicants with complete residential addresses. All five (5) available applicants have signed and dated the substitute Declaration.

With regard to Paragraph No. 2 of the Office Action, Applicants take note that Geoffrey Boyer is listed on a cover sheet as being among the contributing inventors. Mr. Geoffrey Boyer, although initially contacted to provide a contribution, never made a contribution to the subject matter disclosed in the subject application and thus Mr. Boyer was not included among those making Declaration(s) as to bona fide inventorship. Geoffrey Boyer is not an inventor in the subject application.

With regard to Paragraph No. 3 of the Office Action, Applicants take note that 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2) requires (or used to require) a legible copy of each U.S. and foreign patent; each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and all other information or that portion which caused it to be listed. In response to the U.S. Patent Examiner's request, Applicants have elected to submit a complete legible copy of each prior art reference as submitted with the original filing.

With regard to Paragraph No. 4 of the Office Action, the Specification has now been amended in an attempt to cure the informalities objected to by the U.S. Patent Examiner.

With regard to Paragraph No. 6 of the Office Action, Claim No. 14 has been amended in an attempt to cure the informality prompting the U.S. Patent Examiner's rejection thereof under 35 U.S.C. 112.

With regard to Paragraph Nos. 6 – 11 of the Office Action, Applicants have elected to amend and/or cancel certain claims as originally presented as a means to overcome the rejections of record. The U.S. Patent Examiner is kindly requested to reconsider the rejections of record in view of the amendments and/or cancellations made to the claims. Further, as a means to provide certain antecedent support for the claim amendments, certain specification amendments have also been newly drafted and incorporated into the specification by way of amendment(s). It is believed that no "new matter" has been presented in this amendment as the Applicant has merely rephrased or reworded certain notions with language perhaps deemed more precise for claiming purposes.


It is further believed that, upon receiving a favorable decision on the Petition to Revive this Application, this patent application is in condition for allowance, and such action is kindly requested. If, after a review of this Amendment, issues remain which may be resolved by a telephone interview, the U.S. Patent Examiner is cordially invited to call the Applicants' undersigned attorney. If attempts to reach the undersigned attorney are not successful, please be advised that Christopher J. Scott, Registration No. 48,647, may also be contacted with regard to this matter. Mr. Scott has been in regular communication with the undersigned regarding the Office Action and this Amendment. Further, Mr. Scott is listed under our Firm's Customer Number with the United States

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Patent and Trademark Office, namely, Customer Number 30114, and thus may be
deemed a proper representative of Applicants.

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